SEEING THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST

By Rev. Fr. David G. Subu

"Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ, let us worship the Holy Lord Jesus, the only sinless One. We venerate Thy Cross, O Christ, and we praise and glorify Thy holy resurrection; for Thou art our God, and we know no other than Thee; we call on Thy name. Come, all you faithful, let us venerate Christ's holy resurrection. For behold through the Cross joy has come into all the world. Let us ever bless the Lord, praising His resurrection, for by enduring the Cross for us, He has destroyed death by death."

The Paschal season is upon us—the annual commemoration of Christ's death and rising again on the third day. This hymn which we sing in the Matins service of Pascha and each Sunday reminds us of the special nature of this event. The tense of the verb, "Having beheld," shows us something that is both past and continuing into the present and through to the future. We have beheld the resurrection, we are still seeing it, and we live in the hope of knowing it even more perfectly in "in that unending day" of His Kingdom. So what does that all mean?

It means that by the time Pascha has come, our ideal state will be not just anticipation, but already participation. We are not only awaiting something that we do not yet know or understand, but we are reconnecting and reliving the grace that God has already given us. Each year our Paschal experience is a measure of the not on-

ly our effort this year in Lenten preparation, but a rekindling of all those years that have come before. If we feel unprepared this year or running behind, let us not despair—the feast is fully laden for those who have labored from the first to the last. If this is our first Pascha or we are still new to the Orthodox celebration, likewise let us soberly attend the festival, embracing the experience as God chooses to reveal it to us.

Often times the thought troubles me, even the priest, "What is the point of all of this? Does anyone really care? Are we really serving God's will with all these services and prayers? Is this what the world really needs? Is this the calling of the Orthodox faith?" And similar such doubts.

As Lent comes to its completion and Holy Week begins, I am happy to say that having beheld the resurrection of Christ in the eyes and hearts of you the faithful, the spiritual regeneration that comes through the many services of Lent and the heartfelt repentance of so many coming to confession and communion, that my questions have been answered and my doubts put to rest. Through the Cross of Christ embodied in our humble offerings, by His grace and love for us, joy has come into all the world, or at least our little part of it. May that same joy and grace be multiplied to you, that we may sing together:

"Jesus has risen from the tomb, as He foretold, granting us eternal life, and great mercy!"

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- 8:30pm 10pm Matins of Holy Thursday

HÖLY Thursday

- 10am 11:30am Last Supper Liturgy
- 7pm 10pm Matins with Passion Gospels

GREAT AND HÖLY FRÏDAY

- 10am 12pm Tomb Decorating
- 6pm 7pm Vespers
- 7pm 9pm Matins with Procession to Hades

GREAT AND HÖLY SATURDAY

- 10am 12:30pm Vesperal Liturgy of Pascha
- 10pm 11:30pm Acts of the Apostles
- 11:40pm 12am Midnight Service

PASCHA

- 12am 2am Paschal Matins Liturgy
- 2am 4am Agape Meal
- 1-2 pm Agape Vespers
- 2pm 5pm Lamb Roast/Egg Hunt

Bright Week schedule

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- 10am 11am Bright Liturgy
- 7pm 7:30pm Bright Vespers

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- 7am 8am Bright Liturgy
- 7pm 7:30pm Bright Vespers

BRÏGhT FRÏDAY

- 10 am-11 am Bright Liturgy
- 6 pm-7 pm-Bright Vespers

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OCMC Mission Banquet Tuesday, May 21, 2013

6:30 pm Dinner & Presentations St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

3149 Glen Carlyn Rd., Falls Church VA Tickets: \$25.00 per person; Under 18: \$10.00 Reservation deadline: May 17



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The Twelve Great Feasts, Volume III: TEACHER GUIDE GOING for the GOLD VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL Barbara Harris Laura Morton Rhoada Webb

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL 2013

GOING FOR THE GOLD Feasts of the Triumph of Christ and His Church

July 15-July 18 10:00a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Saint Mark Orthodox Church

7124 River Road

Bethesda, Maryland 20817-4770

This Pan-Orthodox VCS is open to all children in the Washington D.C. area. Going for the Gold is a structured program written by the Department of Religious Education in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. Ages 4 to rising 6th graders are welcome to attend! DeADLINE JULY 5th.

Volunteers are needed to help make the week a success and enjoyable for our children. Even if you can only assist one day we would be grateful for your time.

Please contact Ann Prentice at 703-866-3036 or prentice@comcor.net











Clean out those closets and attics! It is time once again for the St. Juliana **Guild to turn your unused items into treasure!**

SATURDAY, JUNE 8 from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Will Accept

Cannot Accept

Clothing (MUST be laundered-no stains or holes)	Christmas Decorations				
Toys (must work & have all parts)	Hotel Toiletries/Old Make-up				
Small Furniture	Puzzles/Games (unless complete)				
Small Appliances (must work and be clean)	Car seats, strollers, cribs, high chairs (safety concerns)				
Working Electronics	Computers or Computer Parts (outdates easily)				
House wares	TV's				
Coats/Jackets	Shoes/Undergarments				
DVD's/Books/CD's (tasteful please)	Encyclopedias, Dictionaries, etc.				
"If you wouldn't give it to your picky relative, don't bring it here!"					

THE CHURCH IS NOT A STORAGE LOCKER! **DO NOT DROP OFF ITEMS BEFORE SUNDAY, JUNE 2!**

We are in need for volunteers to work in small shifts to answer questions, keep piles organized and cashiering. If anyone speaks Spanish, that would be a very useful gift! We also need helpers to sort, tag, and organize the items prior to the sale. Plastic bags and vans are needed if you are willing to donate. Thank you!

Questions? Contact Sarah Zimmerli or Ellen Robinson to volunteer and to inquire about donating items.











Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 • Palm Sunday • 9am - 10am	29 • Holy Monday • 10am - 11am	30 • Holy Tuesday • 10am - 11am	• Holy Wednesday	2 • Holy Thursday • 10am -	• Great and Holy Friday	• Great and Holy Saturday
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• Mother's Day • St. Thomas • 9am - 10am Matins/ Choir Practice • 10am - 11:30am Divine Liturgy • 11:30am - 11:45am Mothers' Memorial • 1pm - 5pm Blessing of Graves by request	• 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class	14	• 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 2pm - 7pm Office Hours • 7pm - 7:45pm Vespers • 8pm - 9pm Adult Education	• 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 2pm - 7pm Office Hours	• 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 12pm - 1pm Book Study • 2pm - 7pm Office Hours	• 5pm - 5:45pm Vespers with confessions
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• 9am - 10am Baptism • 10am - 11:30am Divine Liturgy • 11:30am - 11:45am Memorial service	• Memorial Day	28	• Mid-Pentecost • 7am - 8am Divine Liturgy • 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 2pm - 7pm Office Hours • 7pm - 7:45pm Vespers • 8pm - 9pm Adult Education	• 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 2pm - 7pm Office Hours	• 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 12pm - 1pm Book Study • 2pm - 7pm Office Hours	1 • 5pm - 5:45pm Vespers with confessions

GOD GRANT YOU MANY YEARS!



May Birthdays

Michelle Bahumian
Cody Henderson
Illeana Henry
Nancy Koory
Irene Liu
Lily Madsen
Ivan Plis
Kevin Robinson
Robert Yuskavage

May Anniversaries

- 1 Joseph & Rosanna Cox
- 3 Stanley & Susan Zimmerli Matelski
- 8 Aristotelis & Sarah Psitos
- 8 Tony & Tom Robertson
- 23 Lt. Steven and Kristen Hojnicki
- 24 Julian and Lauren Langa
- 28 Jonathan Chaves & Anna Caraveli
- 31 Nicholas & April Masick

May Saint's Name Days

- 1 St. Brian: Brian Schmalzbach
- 4 St. Monica: Lori Monica Jacobson
- 5 St. Irene: Hazel Irene Lorentz; Irene Liu
- 21 Sts. Constantine & Helen: Eleni Woglom

HOLY BREAD BAKER



Dsa. Tanya Danilchick

EPISTLE READER



NO READER ASSIGNED



MAY COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS

April 27- PALM SUNDAY

The Jacobson Family

May 5- ANNUAL LAMB ROAST EXTRAVAGANZA RSVP required to attend 2:00-5:00 p.m.

May 12– Mother's Day

Maxim Family Memorial Meal

May 19-AVAILABLE

May 26- Memorial Weekend

Schmalzbach Family in honor of baby Josiah's baptism.

June 2– Good Samaritan Advocates

Ken Liu/Justina Mubangu

June 9-Luke and Lea Halim

Pascha Flower Donation Memorials

- Adele Chadwick- Emma, Theodre and Mihailo Raddish
- Berverly Milinksi-Daniel Milinski, Joseph, Carrie, Richard, and Ted Terance
- Christiana Kozemchak-Richard Hardy and Joseph Sikorski
- Claudia Spita-my beloved husband Marian
- Colonel John and Rosemary Pipta- in memory of our parents
- Denise Manos-in memory of family
- Dorina and Ovidiu-lancu, Maria, Gheorghe, Ruxhanda, and Ionut
- Elaine Devine-Jack Devine
- Ellen Robinson-in memory of family
- Henderson Family-Ryker Henderson, our Son and Brother
- Herold-Jacobson Family-Barbara, Martin, Douglas, Luise, Otto, Edith, Richard, Clinton, Dmitri, Mary, Raymond, Anna, and Bogdan
- Mina Coleman-Tsvetanka, Arthur, and Ivan
- Miroy Family--Winston James Miroy
- Nick and April Masick-In Memory of Tim Masick
- Rick and Marie Power--Elisha Power and Sam and Tamera Sirhan
- Tatiana Romanovskaya--Tatiana, Boris, Zinaida, Boris, Alexandra, and Maria
- Thomas Xenakis-in memory of family
- Woglom Family-Estelle Bacas, Homer Bacas, and Diana B. Hoffman



AROUND THE COFEE URN

News and events percolating in and around our community.

ANNUAL LENTEN RETREAT FULL OF LAUGHS AND HELPFUL ADVICE

The St. Juliana Guild Lenten Retreat, held Saturday, April 13, was attended by more than 30 people of all ages. Khouria Janet Shadid, licensed counselor and therapist near Pittsburgh, PA, spoke on the more complex forms bullying among adults (with humorous flair), and as Christians, how to cope and handle this problem in the work place, church and within our own family.

The day included a Liturgy served by Fr. David Subu and Fr. Don Shadid, a wonderful luncheon prepared by Eva Beranek, Nick Jones, Elizabeth Sweet, and Carolyn Pritchyk, an interactive presentation, and a question and answer session.

In addition, a free-will collection was held to benefit the campers at Antiochian Village, where Kh. Janet counsels during the summer. A total of \$985 was raised. Thanks to everyone who attended.

CHURCH SCHOOL RECOGNITION SUNDAY

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." - Proverbs 22:6

Sunday, May 19, will be Church School Recognition Sunday.

This is short program is a formal recognition of the accomplishments the children have made in learning more about the bible and the Orthodox faith under the hard work and preparation of our talented volunteer teachers. We also recognize students who graduate from the program as they prepare to head off to college.

There is never enough gratitude to those who sacrifice much of their social time to teach our youth. Please give our teachers and Church School Principal a big thank you for their dedicated service.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS THROUGH OUR EPISCOPATE! DEADLINES VERY SOON!

Did you know that by being a voting member of our parish, you or your child are eligible for a college scholarship through our Episcopate? Please visit http://www.roea.org/scholarships.html scholarships to learn more. Some have deadlines as early as May 15, so take a look! Information request is to be sent to: scholarships@roea.org.

STORK ALERT!

Brian and Alexandra Schmalzbach welcomed their third child, Josiah Robert, on April 3. He weighed 9lbs and 4oz. Josiah's siblings are Stella and Peter. Christina Jatras is the proud aunt.

LENTEN SOUP LUNCHEON SERVED UP MORE AID FOR OCMC!

The ladies guild would like to thank all those who made the Lenten soup luncheon another great success! With your generosity, we raised \$1,860 for OCMC missions!

Soups were made by Eva Beranek, Sarah Zimmerli, Carolyn Pritchyk, Ellen Robinson, Paula Yuskavage, Tanya Danilchick, Christopher Thomas, Michaela Duda, Irene Liu, and Anna Caraveli. Bread was donated by Nick Jones, Genica Ahire, and Catherine Donovan. Desserts were provided by Denise Manos, Eleni Woglom, Lori Jacobson, and Tanya Danilchick. Thirst was quenched by donations made by Rosalyn Bahumian, Claudia Spita, Adele Chadwick, and Renee Lerner. Servers were Nancy Koory, Ellen Robinson, Eva Beranek and Carolyn Pritchyk. Thanks also to the great cleanup crew of Jeff Beranek, Daniel Silver, and Ivan Plis.

And thank you to all those who so generously donated for this cause. If you would like to know more about the St. Juliana Guild, please join us at our next meeting on Sunday, May 19. Meetings are open to all.

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